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- (i) The mandatory requirements for officer endorsements are contained in part 11 of this subchapter.
- (ii) The mandatory requirements for rating endorsements are contained in part 12 of this subchapter.
- (iii) The mandatory requirements for tankerman rating endorsements are contained in part 13 of this subchapter.
- (iv) The mandatory requirements for STCW endorsements are contained in parts 11, 12, and 13 of this subchapter.
- (4) The appropriate fee as set forth in §10.219 of this part; and
- (5) Any uncanceled MMD, MMC, license, STCW endorsement, or COR held by the applicant. If one or more of these credentials are still valid at the time of application, a photocopy, front and back of all pages, and all attachments, will satisfy this requirement. If the applicant submits a photocopy, upon the issuance of the new MMC, the applicant must surrender the old, original credential to the Coast Guard. If requested in writing at the time of submission, the old MMD, MMC, license, COR, or STCW endorsement may be returned to the applicant after cancellation.
- (d) No limitation on any endorsement may be changed before the applicant has made up any deficiency in the experience prescribed for the endorsement or endorsement desired and passed any necessary examination.

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§ 10.225 Requirements for original merchant mariner credentials.

- (a) An applicant must apply as an original if the MMC sought is—
- (1) The first credential issued to the applicant;
- (2) The first credential issued to applicants after their previous credential has expired beyond the grace period and they do not hold a Document of Continuity under §10.227(g) of this part or an equivalent unexpired continuity endorsement on their license or MMD; or
- (3) The first credential issued to applicants after their previous credential was revoked pursuant to §10.235 of this part.

- (b) A complete application for an original MMC must contain the following, except as otherwise noted in §10.227(i) of this subpart:
 - (1) A completed, signed application.
- (2) Proof that the mariner either holds a valid TWIC or has applied for a TWIC.
- (3) All supplementary materials required to show that the mariner meets the mandatory requirements for all endorsements sought as follows:
- (i) The mandatory requirements for officer endorsements are contained in part 11 of this subchapter.
- (ii) The mandatory requirements for rating endorsements are contained in part 12 of this subchapter.
- (iii) The mandatory requirements for tanker rating endorsements are contained in part 13 of this subchapter.
- (iv) The mandatory requirements for STCW endorsements are contained in parts 11, 12, and 13 of this subchapter.
- (4) The appropriate fee as set forth in §10.219 of this part.
- (5) Evidence of having passed a chemical test for dangerous drugs or of qualifying for an exemption from testing in \$16.220 of this subchapter.
- (6) Where sea service is required, documentary evidence in accordance with §10.232 of this part.
- (7) Proof, documented on CG-719-K or CG-719-K/E, as appropriate, that the applicant passed all applicable vision, hearing, medical, and/or physical exams as required by subpart C of this part or a valid medical certificate issued by the Coast Guard.
- (8) Consent to a Coast Guard check of the NDR for offenses described in section 205(a)(3)(A) or (B) of the National Driver Register Act of 1982, as amend-
- (9) The oath as required in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (c) Oath. Every person who receives an original MMC must first take an oath, before an official authorized to give such an oath, that he or she will faithfully and honestly, according to his or her best skill and judgment, without concealment or reservation, perform all the duties required by law and obey all lawful orders of superior officers. An oath may be administered by any Coast Guard-designated individual or any person legally permitted

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to administer oaths in the jurisdiction where the person taking the oath resides. An oath administered at a location other than the Coast Guard must be verified in writing by the administering official and submitted to the same Regional Examination Center (REC) where the applicant applied for his or her MMC. This oath remains binding for any subsequently issued MMC and endorsements added to the MMC, unless specifically renounced in writing.

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§ 10.227 Requirements for renewal.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (g) of this section, an applicant for renewal of a credential must establish possession of all of the necessary qualifications before the MMC will be renewed
- (b) A credential may be renewed at any time during its validity and for 1 year after expiration.
- (c) No credential will be renewed if it has been suspended without probation or revoked as a result of action under part 5 of this chapter or if facts that would render a renewal improper have come to the attention of the Coast Guard.
- (d) Except as provided in paragraph (g) of this section, a complete application for renewal must contain the following:
- (1) A completed, signed application.
- (2) Proof that the mariner either holds a valid TWIC or has applied for a TWIC.
- (3) The appropriate fee as set forth in § 10.219 of this part.
- (4) Any uncanceled MMD, MMC, license, STCW endorsement, Certificate of Registry (COR), or Document of Continuity held by the applicant. If one or more of these credentials are still valid at the time of application, a photocopy—front, back, and all attachments—will satisfy this requirement.
- (5) Evidence of having passed a chemical test for dangerous drugs or of qualifying for an exemption from testing in §16.220 of this subchapter.
- (6) Applicants seeking a national endorsement must either hold an unexpired medical certificate or submit a medical certificate application.

(7) Consent to a Coast Guard check of the NDR for offenses described in section 205(a)(3)(A) or (B) of the National Driver Register Act of 1982, as amended.

- (e) Except as provided in paragraph (e)(8) of this section and 46 CFR 13.120, the applicant must meet the following professional requirements for renewal:
 - (1) The applicant must either—
- (i) Present evidence of at least 1 year of sea service during the past 5 years;
- (ii) Pass a comprehensive, open-book exercise covering the general subject matter contained in appropriate sections of subpart (I) of this part;
- (iii) Complete an approved refresher training course;
- (iv) Provide evidence of employment as a qualified instructor or in a position closely related to the operation, construction, or repair of vessels (either deck or engineer as appropriate) for at least 3 years during the past 5 years. An applicant for a deck license or officer endorsement with this type of employment must also demonstrate knowledge on an applicable Rules of the Road open-book exercise; or
- (v) Provide evidence of being a qualified instructor who has taught a Coast Guard-approved or -accepted course relevant to the endorsement or credential being applied for, at least twice within the past 5 years, therefore meeting the standards needed to receive a course completion certificate for that course.
- (2) The qualification requirements for renewal of radar observer endorsement as contained in §11.480 of this subchapter.
- (3) Additional qualification requirements for renewal of an officer endorsement as first-class pilot as contained in §11.713 of this subchapter.
- (4) An applicant for renewal of a radio officer's endorsement must, in addition to meeting the requirements of this section, present a copy of a currently valid license as first- or second-class radiotelegraph operator issued by the Federal Communications Commission.
- (5) An applicant for renewal of an endorsement as medical doctor or professional nurse must, in addition to meeting the requirements of this section, present evidence that he or she holds a